together with his annuity, equals the amount of his average final compensation. A beneficiary restored to active service at a salary less than the average final compensation upon the basis of which he was retired shall not become a member of the retirement system until his salary is at least equal to such average final compensation. For the purposes of this paragraph, "retirement allowance" shall mean the allowance payable without optional modification as hereinafter provided in Sub-section (10) of this section.

(b) Should a disability beneficiary under the age of 65 be restored to active service and should his annual compensation then or at any time prior to the age of 65 be equal to or greater than his average final compensation at retirement, his retirement allowance shall cease, he shall again become a member of the Retirement System, and he shall contribute thereafter at the same rate he paid prior to disability. Any thing in this Article to the contrary notwithstanding, any prior service certificate on the basis of which his service was computed at the time of his retirement shall be restored to full force and effect, and in addition, upon his subsequent retirement he shall be credited with all the service as a member creditable to him at the time of retirement; but should he be restored to membership after the attainment of age of 55, his pension upon subsequent retirement shall not exceed the pension which he was receiving immediately prior to his last restoration to membership and the pension that may have accrued to him as a new member on account of service since his last restoration to membership, provided that the total pension on his subsequent retirement shall not exceed the rate per centum he would have received had he remained in service during the period of his prior retirement.

DEATH BENEFIT.

(8) Upon the receipt of proper proofs of the death of a member in service there shall be paid to such person having an insurable interest in the life of the deceased, as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the Board of Trustees, otherwise to his estate:

(a) His accumulated contributions; and

(b) If the member has one or more years of creditable service, an amount equal to fifty per centum of his average final compensation.

RETURN OF ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS.

(9) Should a member cease to be an employee except by death or by retirement under the provisions of this Atricle, he shall be paid the amount of his accumulated contributions.